

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACI IMMEDIATE 6660

INFO AMEMBASSY LUSAKA IMMEDIATE

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AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE

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LIMDIS

E.O.11652: XGDS-2

TAGS: MOPS, CG, BE, AO

SUBJECT: ANGOLAN REPLY TO SECRETARY'S MESSAGE ABOUT WELFARE

OF HOSTAGES REPORTEDLY TAKEN BY KATANGANS

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 9784 (B) STATE 127814

1. POLITICAL OFFICER WAS CALLED TO RESIDENCE OF ANGOLAN AMBASSADOR DE ALMEIDA 1700 LOCAL MAY 21 TO RECEIVE MESSAGE, WHICH AMBASSADOR SAID WAS FOR THE SECRETARY FROM ANGOLAN PRESIDENT NETO. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION FROM THE PORTUGUESE; AMBASSADOR KEPT PORTUGUESE TEXT AND DID NOT GIVE US A COPY.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

- INFORM THE SECRETARY OF STATE THROUGH THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY THAT THE PROTECTION OF EUROPEANS
- WHO ARRIVE IN ANGOLA -- WHETHER THEY BE REFUGEES OR
- POSSIBLE HOSTAGES -- IS ASSURED. END TEXT.

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3. POLITICAL OFFICER DESCRIBED FOR DE ALMEIDA SOME OF THE PATHOS AT BRUSSELS AIRPORT THIS AFTERNOON WHEN FIRST REFUGEE AIRPLANE ARRIVED AT BRUSSELS AIRPORT. DE ALMEIDA SAID THAT ANGOLANS AND CUBANS WERE NOT INVOLVED IN ANY OF THE OCCURANCES IN SHABA, AND ADDED THAT IF ANGOLANS AND CUBANS WERE TO PLAN A MILITARY OPERATION, THEY WOULD USE SOUND MILITARY CRITERIA RATHER THAN GO INTO THE CENTER OF THE CITY AND KILL INNOCENT PEOPLE. CHAMBERS

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